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Growing together

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FOUNDATIONS IN EDUCATION

Our Mission

To strengthen
and
transform
the mission
of
Catholic education
in the
Diocese of Bridgeport
by providing
tuition
assistance
to families
in need,
supporting innovation
in
academic programs,
and
fostering opportunities
for the
professional
development
of
school leaders.



TRANSFORMING LIVES
THROUGH EDUCATION



Our Schools

Your generous gifts empower our mission to support Catholic education in Fairfield County. The legacy of excellence in Catholic education is well preserved in our Diocese of Bridgeport Catholic Schools.

- All Saints Catholic School, Norwalk
Assumption Catholic School, Fairfield
Cardinal Kung Academy, Stamford
Catholic Academy of Bridgeport:
- St. Andrew Academy
 - St. Ann Academy
 - St. Augustine Academy
 - St. Raphael Academy
- Catholic Academy of Stamford
Greenwich Catholic School
Holy Trinity Catholic Academy, Shelton
Immaculate High School, Danbury
Kolbe Cathedral Preparatory School, Bridgeport
- St. Catherine Academy, Fairfield
St. Catherine of Siena School, Trumbull
St. Gregory the Great School, Danbury
St. James School, Stratford
St. Joseph High School, Trumbull
St. Joseph School, Danbury
St. Mark School, Stratford
St. Mary School, Bethel
St. Mary School, Ridgefield
St. Peter School, Danbury
St. Rose of Lima School, Newtown
St. Theresa School, Trumbull
St. Thomas Aquinas School, Fairfield

Dear Friends,

This year marks a momentous milestone — **the 10th anniversary of Foundations in Education Inc’s incorporation!** As we reflect on the past decade, we are overwhelmed with gratitude for what has been accomplished through your steadfast support, generous hearts, and shared belief in the power of Catholic education.

From humble beginnings, Foundations in Education has grown into a vibrant force for good, transforming the lives of students, families, and educators across the Diocese of Bridgeport. **To date, we have awarded more than 13,300 student tuition assistance awards, totaling nearly \$26,140,000** — a testament to our shared commitment to making a Catholic education accessible to all who seek it.

In addition to scholarships, **our Innovation and Leadership Grants have empowered 175 teachers**, igniting creativity and advancing classroom excellence throughout our schools. These grants have become a cornerstone of our mission, strengthening the professional spirit and dedication of our educators.

Our impact doesn’t stop there. **With over \$13 million invested in transformational initiatives**, including *Transforming the Paradigm of Catholic Education*, the *Kolbe Transformation* and the *Christopher Ripp Early Learning Program*, we continue to support systemic improvements that ensure the long-term vitality and excellence of Catholic education. These efforts have equipped schools with the resources, leadership, and vision to meet the evolving needs of our students and communities.

This incredible journey would not have been possible without the guidance and vision of our founding board, whose commitment has laid a strong foundation for a promising future. As many founding trustees complete their terms and we continue our transition as a self-perpetuating board, we honor their legacy and thank them for shaping the core of who we are. **We are especially grateful to Bishop Frank Caggiano for his inspirational leadership**, and to **Past Chair Thomas McInerney**, whose extraordinary generosity and heart continue to guide our work in profound ways.

Together, we have built more than programs and initiatives — we have built a movement rooted in compassion, excellence, and faith. The lives changed through your generosity speak louder than numbers ever could. Our students, families, and educators are thriving because of you.

As we celebrate this 10th anniversary, we extend our deepest **gratitude to each of you — our donors, friends, and champions**. Your belief in Foundations in Education’s mission fuels our continued growth and impact.

We look to the future with joyful anticipation. The next decade holds immense promise — not only in expanding our reach, but in reaffirming our dedication to ensuring that **every child who desires a Catholic education has the opportunity to receive it**. We look forward to continuing this journey, with you.

With heartfelt appreciation,

Joe Purcell
Chair, Board of Trustees

Holly Doherty-Lemoine, CFRE
Executive Director



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- Joe Purcell, Board Chair** | Joe has been a member of the Board of Trustees since 2017, and Chair since 2024.
- Holly Doherty-Lemoine, CFRE** | Holly joined Foundations in Education in December 2016 as the first Executive Director. She oversees the general operations of the Foundation as well as fundraising and program initiatives.



Innovation and Leadership Grants 2024-2025

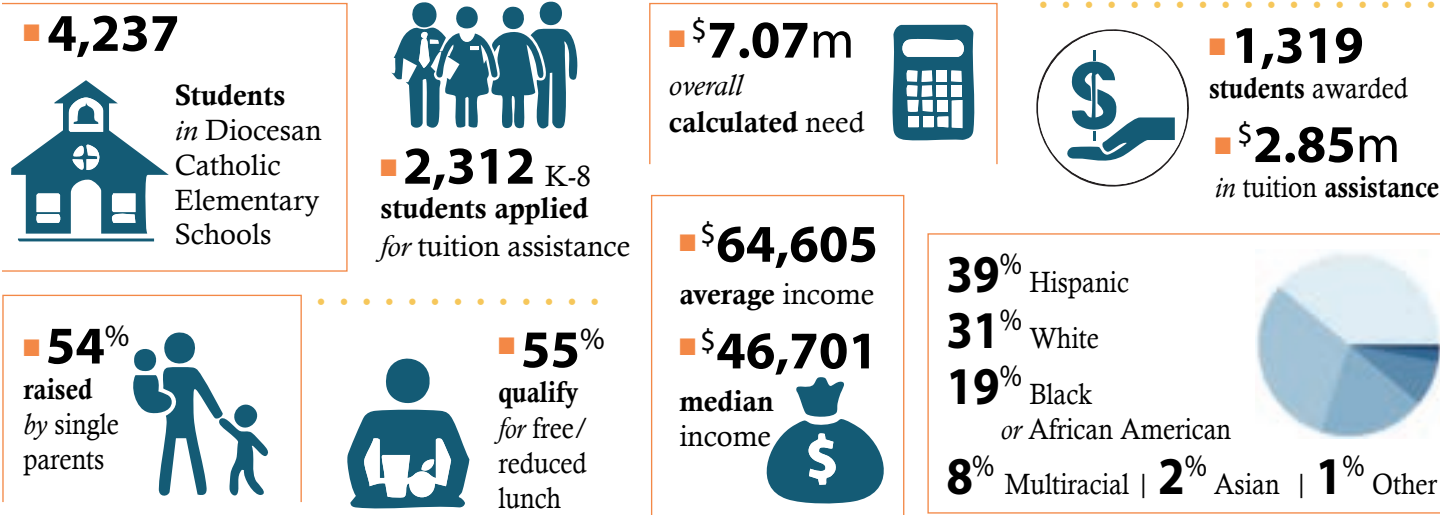
In its eighth year, the Innovation & Leadership Grants program made 23 grant awards of more than \$133,000 for innovative projects to educators in Diocese of Bridgeport Catholic Schools. The competitive grants program, open to teachers and administrators in Diocesan-sponsored Catholic Schools, has granted more than \$1 million in grant funding since 2017.

An awards reception was held January 30, 2025 at Sacred Heart University's Discovery Science Center and Planetarium announcing the 23 grant projects as follows:

- **All Saints Catholic School, Norwalk:** Faith in Focus: Immersive Biblical Journeys for Young Hearts and Minds by Laura Wrinn | \$10,000
- **All Saints Catholic School, Norwalk:** Innovative Computer Technology Hands-On Learning Program Using Osmoplay by Sujavadee Tongpam | \$2,198
- **Assumption Catholic School, Fairfield:** Hands-on Science: Creating a 21st Century Upper Elementary Science Program by Lauren Korres | \$5,000
- **Assumption Catholic School, Fairfield:** Multicultural Music and Movement by Pauline Rayer | \$1,318
- **Cardinal Kung Academy, Stamford:** From Pawn to Queen, Promoting Chess Excellence by Kyle MacDonald | \$2,922
- **Cardinal Kung Academy, Stamford:** From the Page to the Lab, 'Handling' the 21st Century by Jeffrey Padilla | \$7,500
- **Catholic Academy of Bridgeport – St. Ann Academy:** Dream Big! Library Makerspace by Shannon Maloney | \$9,767
- **Catholic Academy of Bridgeport – St. Ann Academy:** Hands On Science Lab by Talya Natlo | \$10,000
- **Greenwich Catholic School:** Singing Is Believing by Angela Bou Kheir, Mark Radzin, Rebecca Steck | \$7,500
- **Holy Trinity Catholic Academy, Shelton:** S.T.R.E.A.M. Professional Development by Darlene Gonzalez-Morris | \$7,800
- **Immaculate High School, Danbury:** Building the Basics: Student-Created Computers from Scratch by Anthony Dausilio | \$5,278
- **Immaculate High School, Danbury:** CNA Laboratory Medical Mannequin by Marie Hatcher RN | \$4,151
- **Immaculate High School, Danbury:** Stitching Knowledge, One Thread at a Time! by Celeste Andrei and Stephanie Rugg | \$1,134
- **Kolbe Cathedral Preparatory School, Bridgeport:** The Writer's Lab by Eddie Louise Clark | \$5,100
- **Office of the Superintendent, Diocese of Bridgeport:** Catholic Accompaniment Training by Patrice Kopas | \$15,000
- **St. Catherine Academy, Fairfield:** Ready, Set, READ! by Lisa Lanni | \$9,468
- **St. Joseph High School, Trumbull:** Artificial Intelligence Program by David Lasecki | \$9,450
- **St. Joseph High School, Trumbull:** Engaging Visual Learning Through Lightboard Technology by Brian Gavin | \$3,000
- **St. Joseph High School, Trumbull:** "Innovative Physics Learning: Bridging Theory and Practice Through Advanced Technology by Johanna Retalis | \$8,400
- **St. Joseph High School, Trumbull:** SJ World Language Pod Cast by Jackie Carvalho-Sullivan | \$3,102
- **St. Mary School, Bethel:** Light Up Our Pre-K Classroom! by Toni Fiorillo | \$3,000
- **St. Rose of Lima School, Newtown:** Financial Literacy, Skills for a Successful Future by Tanya Cicarelli | \$2,000
- **St. Rose of Lima School, Newtown:** STEM Bins by Annmarie Winington | \$500

Bishop's Scholarship Fund

The mission of the **Bishop's Scholarship Fund (BSF)** is to help families afford a Catholic Education. For the 2024-25 academic year, Foundations in Education made 1,319 awards totaling more than \$2.8 million in aid to families across the Diocesan elementary schools in Fairfield County. Since 2016, Foundations in Education awarded over \$26 million in tuition assistance.



Leaders of Tomorrow (LOT) is a select BSF program recognizing students who qualify for tuition assistance and have been identified by his/her principal as a student of strong academics, good character and leadership potential.

Donors sponsor student awards with contributions at full \$6,000, half \$3,000 or quarter at \$1,500 and are invited to an annual breakfast celebration of Catholic education and an opportunity to meet the students and their parents.

FIE donors sponsored 93 Leaders of Tomorrow for the 2024-25 academic year!



Donor Scholarships Impacting Lives

Each year, the generosity of our donors opens doors to a Catholic education — transforming lives, nurturing faith, and inspiring future leaders. The following scholarships and endowed funds, established through *Foundations in Education*, provide vital tuition assistance and lasting impact across our Diocese.

JS Howe Family New Student Scholarship

Since 2022, the JS Howe Family Foundation has welcomed new students to Diocesan elementary schools through the *JS Howe Family New Student Scholarship*. The Howes believe that a Catholic education forms a foundation for life — rooted in faith, service, and excellence. Their \$50,000 annual grant provides 90% scholarships for first-year students, giving young learners a strong start in our schools and setting them on a path toward lifelong growth.

Endowed Funds Supporting the Bishop's Scholarship Fund

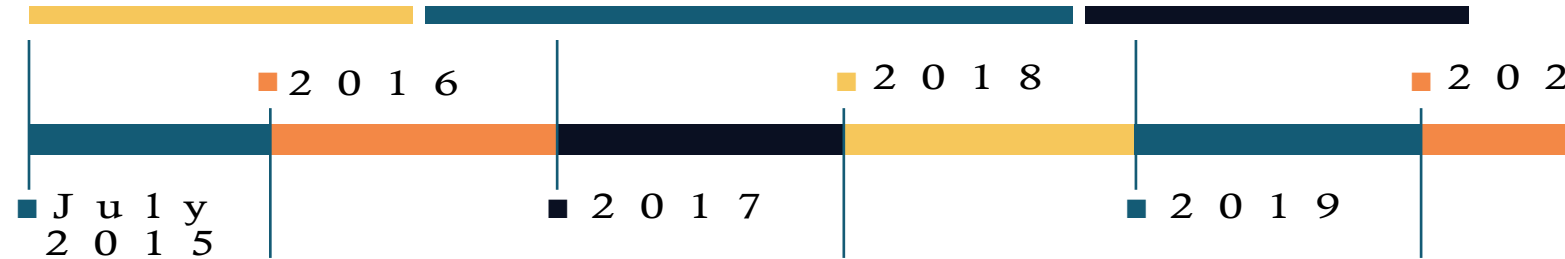
Endowed scholarships ensure the sustainability of the *Bishop's Scholarship Fund (BSF)*, generating annual income to support deserving students across the Diocese.

- **Christopher Ripp Scholarship Fund** — Established by Barbara and Peter Ripp in loving memory of their son, Christopher, this fund supports multiple students each year through the BSF, honoring Christopher's legacy of kindness and generosity.
- **St. Joseph–St. Ladislaus Parish Fund** — Proceeds from this parish endowment provide scholarships for parishioners attending All Saints Catholic School in Norwalk, helping strengthen the bond between parish and school community.
- **David Van Vlack Scholarship Fund** — Created through a generous estate gift, this fund reflects David Van Vlack's lifelong commitment to Catholic education, supporting area students so they may attend schools that nurture both mind and spirit.

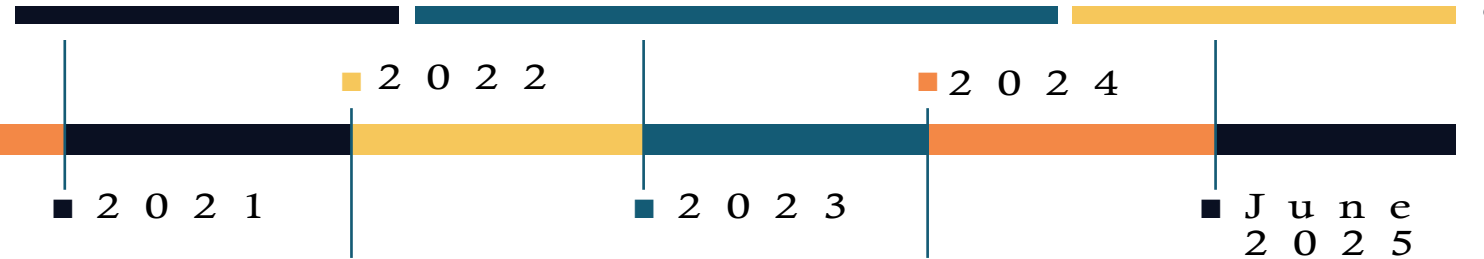
Scholarships Benefiting Kolbe Cathedral Preparatory School

- **Maximilian Kolbe Scholarship** — Established by Cindy and John Sites, this scholarship has made Catholic education attainable for students at Kolbe Cathedral Preparatory School in Bridgeport. This year, 21 students were recipients, all of whom achieved honor roll distinction. Of the 10 seniors among them, each graduated and pursued higher education — with more than half receiving full scholarships to universities including Rutgers, Fairfield, and New York University.
- **Mary Alice and Thomas O'Malley Scholarship** — Inspired by their deep respect for community service, Mary Alice and Thomas O'Malley provide scholarships for children of Fairfield County police officers, firefighters, and nurses attending Kolbe Cathedral Preparatory School. This year, recipients included a junior whose father serves in the Bridgeport Fire Department and a freshman whose mother is a nurse at St. Vincent's Medical Center. Covering 80% of Kolbe's tuition, this scholarship honors the commitment of first responders and health care workers while inspiring students to emulate those same values of service and compassion.

Through these endowed and annual scholarships, our donors not only make Catholic education accessible — they build a legacy of faith, opportunity, and hope for generations to come.



*Growing together
— ten remarkable years*



Foundations in Education

Celebrates 10 years of transforming lives through Catholic Education

In recognition of a decade of supporting Catholic schools in the Diocese of Bridgeport through tuition assistance and innovation grants for teachers, Foundations in Education proudly marked its 10th anniversary at the *Growing Together* Gala held May 1, 2025, at Woodway Country Club in Darien, Connecticut.

This year's milestone celebration brought together nearly 300 friends and supporters from across the Diocese and beyond to honor the transformative power of Catholic education — and in support of students and educators.

The evening recognized two distinguished honorees whose leadership and faith have guided Foundations' mission: The Most Reverend Frank J. Caggiano, founder and Sole Member, and Thomas E. McNerney, Past Board Chair. Both were honored for their extraordinary commitment to ensuring that all children, regardless of financial means, have access to a Catholic education.

Board Chair Joe Purcell welcomed guests, including current and former trustees, past gala student speakers, and Gala Co-Chairs Allison Reiling and Michele Mitola. Setting the tone for the evening, Purcell shared, "We come together tonight to celebrate Catholic education, our esteemed honorees Bishop Frank Caggiano and Tom McNerney, and the incredible 10-year journey leading up to this celebration. We align in our values and share a belief in the transforming power of Catholic education. Our generosity tonight will help make this education possible for even more students."

Guests were greeted by Kolbe Cathedral Preparatory School student volunteers and enjoyed performances by the school's chorus and the Pro Players Chorus, featuring former NFL members.

In his remarks, Bishop Caggiano reflected on the organization's founding and growth over the past decade:

"After 38 years of priestly ministry, when I see the marvels and miracles that God performs, I recognize that this journey has been a miracle of His blessing and grace. This night is all about the children and giving them what we had. The honor belongs to all of us who have worked together to make this miracle possible."

Honoree Thomas McNerney shared a deeply personal reflection on his own Catholic education and the responsibility to give back:

"No matter where they are from or what name they carry, every one of these children is a child of God. I was that nervous



five-year-old who was shaped by 16 years of Catholic education — by nuns, brothers, and lay teachers who transformed my life. We owe it to the next generation to give them that same chance."

The evening's most inspiring moment came from student speaker Greyce, whose life has been transformed through the Bishop's Scholarship Fund. She shared,

"Over the last seven years, I've been blessed to have teachers who put Christ first in all they do. My school helped me learn English, make friends, and dream about my future. I've learned to be a leader, not a follower, and to be kind. I know this would not have been possible without the scholarship assistance provided through Foundations in Education. I am deeply grateful."

The program continued with an energetic live auction and the always-anticipated "Raise the Paddle" segment, led by auctioneer Pat Tully, where guests pledged direct support for the Leaders of Tomorrow initiative. Thanks to the overwhelming generosity of donors, the evening raised an unprecedented \$2 million, directly benefiting students and educators across the Diocese of Bridgeport.

Funds from the gala will advance Foundations in Education's mission — providing tuition assistance to families in need, fostering innovation in classrooms, and supporting the professional growth of Catholic school leaders.

Executive Director Holly Doherty-Lemoine, CFRE, reflected on the evening's success and the decade of impact:

"Bishop Frank, you have provided our vision, and Tom McNerney, our heart. It has been the privilege of my lifetime

to serve as your first Executive Director. Together with our donors, we have transformed thousands of young lives through Catholic education. I am grateful for your unwavering support and eager to see what the next decade holds."

Since its first gala in 2016, Foundations in Education's annual celebrations have raised more than \$10.1 million, a testament to the shared belief that education rooted in faith can transform lives and communities.

As the evening concluded, the spirit of joy, gratitude, and generosity filled the room — a fitting tribute to ten years of extraordinary impact. The record-setting success of the *Growing Together* Gala stands as a powerful reminder of what can be achieved when a community comes together in faith and purpose.

With continued support from donors, Foundations in Education looks forward to expanding its reach in the years ahead — investing in students, empowering teachers, and strengthening Catholic schools for generations to come.

Save the date | Annual Gala | April 15, 2026



Transformational Gifts

Received from July 1, 2024 to June 30, 2025

On behalf of the Board of Trustees, we thank our generous donors for their extraordinary support and commitment to transforming lives in Diocese of Bridgeport Catholic Schools.



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Foundations in Education welcomes contributions made in memory of loved ones or in honor of family and friends to mark special occasions.

If you wish to memorialize or honor someone with a gift that will help transform a child’s life, please contact us.

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Kolbe Transformation

Over the past several years, Kolbe Cathedral Preparatory School has been undergoing a major transformation, inspired by Bishop Frank Caggiano’s vision, and made possible, in part, by generous donations to Foundations in Education. With gratitude to the donors who make this life-changing initiative possible, a highlight follows of several key components of the multi-faceted and far-reaching project.

Key Milestones in the transformation include:

- **Student Success Center** — facilitates personalized learning by addressing the academic needs of students and establishing academic superiority through intervention, remediation and enrichment.
- **Marian Work Study** — provides internship/work study opportunities for students to deepen their sense of personal accountability, develop workforce readiness skills, expose students to careers and professional connections and offset tuition costs.
- **Saint Joseph Parenting Center** — creates a place and space to engage, support and empower families of Kolbe Cathedral Preparatory School and Catholic Academy of Bridgeport students in their efforts to develop more effective parenting skills thereby promoting healthier families.



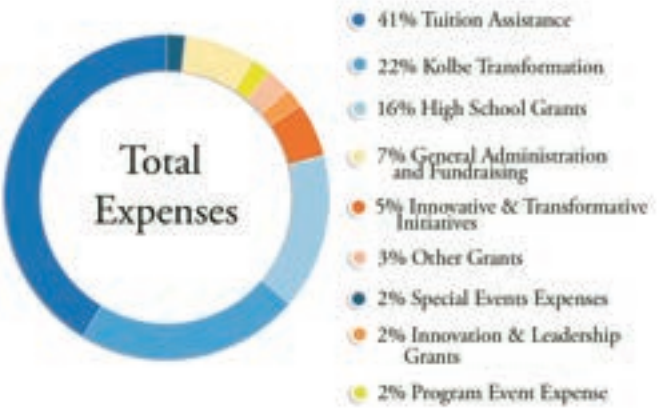
Financial Statements

STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES <i>For Year End June 30, 2025</i>	
SUPPORT AND REVENUES	
General contributions	\$ 3,161,246
Special Event Revenue	2,077,976
Contributions, Annual Catholic Appeal	683,969
Contribution of nonfinancial assets	15,026
Contributions, Diocese Our Lady Fund	8,452,000
Other Income	114,921
Investment Income	5,320,872
Total Support and Revenue	\$ 19,826,010
EXPENSES	
Program Services	
Tuition assistance	\$ 2,762,436
Kolbe Transformation	1,481,568
High School Endowment Grants	1,042,681
Innovative & Transformative Initiatives*	364,945
Innovation & Leadership Grants	125,788
Other Grants	165,060
Program Event Expense	136,829
Total Program Services	\$ 6,079,307
Support Services	
General administration and fundraising	\$ 477,047
Special Events Expenses	120,470
Total Support Services	\$ 597,517
Total Expenses	\$ 6,676,824

Net assets at the begining of the year	\$ 40,181,414
Change in net assets	13,149,186
Transfer of net assets	2,366,313
Net assets at the end of the year	\$ 55,696,913

* Angel Investors, Career Pathways, Transforming the Paradigm of Catholic Education

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION <i>For Year End June 30, 2025</i>	
ASSETS	
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 7,991,259
Investments	48,942,243
Contributions receivable net	2,443,022
Due from Annual Bishop’s Appeal	298,677
Promissory Note Receivable	96,645
Total Assets	\$ 59,771,846
LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS	
Liabilities	
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	\$ 19,989
Accrued Payroll	18,483
Scholarships and grants payable to schools	4,036,461
Total Liabilities	\$ 4,074,933
Net Assets	
Unrestricted	\$ 6,128,919
Without Restriction (Board Designated)	1,048,942
With Restriction	48,519,052
Total Net Assets	\$ 55,696,913
Total Liabilities and Net Assets	\$ 59,771,846



- 41% Tuition Assistance
- 22% Kolbe Transformation
- 16% High School Grants
- 7% General Administration and Fundraising
- 5% Innovative & Transformative Initiatives
- 3% Other Grants
- 2% Special Events Expenses
- 2% Innovation & Leadership Grants
- 2% Programs Event Expense

Invest *in the* Future — Leave *a* Legacy of Faith *and* Opportunity

With the help of our generous donors, Foundations in Education invests in the future by supporting students and their families in pursuit of a Catholic education through tuition assistance. What better way to transform a young life than by providing the gift of a values-based education rooted in faith, knowledge, and service?

Barbara and Peter Ripp of Greenwich, have supported Foundations in Education's mission since 2016. Always among the first to lend their support, Barbara and Peter continue to lead by example — most recently by including Foundations in Education in their estate plans, alongside Catholic Charities. Their legacy will help ensure that future generations of students have access to the same life-changing opportunities through Catholic education.

How might you create your own legacy of faith and generosity?

Please consider including Foundations in Education in your estate plans and help transform young lives for generations to come.

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